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## **AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

This Amendment is being submitted in response to the April 9, 2002 Official Action (Paper No. 20). Per the petition and fee submitted herewith, applicants invoke the benefit of 37 CFR 1.136 to secure a three-month extension of time up to and including October 9, 2002. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee deficiency in connection with the filing of this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 050-0573.

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